

S. May is  
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Dear Mr May -

I have to thank you for 2 Syracuse papers  
Containing reports of C. F. Adams's & T. Parker's  
Addresses. - Thank God, also, for every  
free word, & for every influence which goes  
to lift our Northern mind above the sordid  
and paralyzing effects of our connexion  
with Slaveholders & Slave-traders. I think we  
have much to encourage us; and, whether  
living or dying, may we be found undaunted,  
resolute, rejoicing in our Antislavery faith  
and work.

My particular object in writing, is to  
say to you that we shall soon have ready  
John W. Walpey's excellent Tract on the Interstate  
Slave Trade. Shall I send you 200 or  
50, by Express? - or how? - and shall I,  
at same time, send you any of Nos. 1, 2,  
3. & 4?

Have you a copy of  
Wilson Armstrong's "Tribute to the Negro"  
- a large, handsome, 8vo. vol? - If not,  
the Am. - Soc. Comtee. will have pleasure in  
depositing a copy with you. Please signify your  
wish.

Yesterday, Russell received a note  
from your bonny boy Geo. Emms -  
the "Young Merchant of Syracuse".  
Russell is no great correspondent,  
but I will endeavour to stir him up  
to a reply. If he doesn't write,  
(or if he does), please tell the W. Bonny  
that he was amazingly pleased with  
the idea of getting a letter, all to  
himself, through the Post Office,  
and he heartily responds to the  
hope, therein expressed, of a better  
acquaintance between the two parties,  
and especially that G. E. M. will  
make his visit here in the Spring.

I am sorry to have to tell you  
that Sarah has been quite ~~at~~  
ill, since you were here. - On  
Sunday morning a fortnight ago,

She was very suddenly & sharply  
attacked with Rheumatism, amounting  
for a little while to a complete  
paralysis of her left side, accompanied  
with a good deal of pain. — Afterwards,  
an inflammation of the bowels  
~~took place~~  
~~followed~~, — with much pain also. —  
With all, she was quite prostrated,  
not leaving her bed for some eight  
days, & being still confined to it  
the most of the time, though she  
seems to be relieved of the main  
difficulties, & to be mending — though  
very gradually. . . . Previously to this  
attack, she was remarkably well —  
~~farther~~ seeming to enjoy better health  
than any other one of the family. —

I hope you are all well, and  
that I shall be able to say as much  
for all my family, soon; — and  
with sincere regards, I am, Yours S. May Jr

W. J. I observe, by last evening's Transcript, that, after the regular A. S. course of Lectures (in Boston) is completed - two more lectures, independent of the course, are to be given, in the same place, & following right along, at the weekly interval; - the one, a new lecture by Sam. Houston; - the other, by Charles Sumner; - a repetition of ~~the~~ lecture, which is to be the concluding one in the regular course. - These will carry the lecturing business so late into the season, & will so far satisfy or satiate the lecturing <sup>for this year</sup>-appetite, (- at least, such is my expectation -) that it will be hardly advisable to attempt to get in you. - Another year, I doubt not, it can be, with good effect. - Still, we will go in for this year, if you particularly desire it.

Address me (when you send letters) at 21 Cornhill.